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## DISEASE-FREE DECLARATION EXPECTED AUGUST 19

### ALL RESTRICTIONS WITHIN DOMINION ARE NOW REMOVED

U.S. Authorities in Accord  
With Safeguards Adopted  
by Canada

#### BAN LIFTING QUESTION

May Take Time — British  
Buying Plan Prevents In-  
ternal Glut Here

By M. McDougall  
Parliamentary Press Gallery  
Leader Correspondent

OTTAWA, July 30th. — It is pretty definitely expected that on August 19th or thereabouts Canada will be declared free of the foot-and-mouth epidemic. The fact of course is that it is now, as far as can be judged by measures of precaution and eradication, quite rid of the disease, and as far as Canada is concerned, beyond the effects of trade dislocation, that ends the matter, for Quebec has now raised the last restrictions on meat importations from other Provinces.

It doesn't necessarily mean of course that the United States will raise the embargo on Canadian cattle and beef sixty days after. It could do so, according to U.S. law, and American veterinarian authorities have been in close touch with and have been in accord with the precautionary measures taken by Canada.

#### Was Year in Case of Mexico

In the case of cattle imports from Mexico, however, it was a year after the outbreak of the disease before cattle importation was received. If a similar course were followed with Canada, it would be early in May, 1953, before export trade is restored. That, of course, is only a word of warning. Other factors possibly may have affected the trade with Mexico which may not apply to Canada.

It is also to be borne in mind that for some little time the United States has not been on an import basis as far as Canadian cattle are concerned. That is, that if Canadian cattle were now entering the Chicago market, for example, taking into consideration freight, import duty and difference in exchange between the Canadian and American dollar, the price received there would be below the price obtainable in Canada.

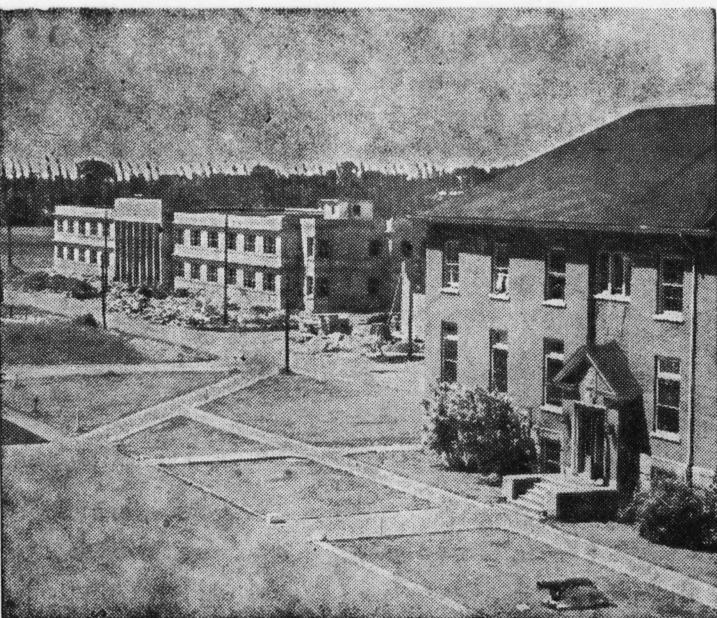
#### Fair Supply on U.S. Market

This is just a phase in the marketing question, affected no doubt by a fairly abundant supply of cattle on the American market. It is to be remembered, however, that Canadian exports when at their height have represented only a very small percentage of the volume of cattle received from American farms.

Another thing that has to be borne in mind is that if the opening of the market to our cattle is too long de-

### NEW ACADEMIC CENTRE FOR ARMED FORCES

—HANNAM



To be established as a sister institution to the Royal Military College at Kingston, a new academic centre at St. Johns, Quebec, will be known as the College Militaire de St. Jean. There junior officers will be trained. The photo shows part of the parade square, the old buildings, and the new dormitory now under construction.

#### Over-Supply Looming

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A worldwide over-supply of fats and oils may be in the offing, according to a U.S. Department of Agriculture report. One factor is the increased use of synthetic washing preparations and the consequent decline in the use of oils and fats for soap-making.

Lay, there will be a surplus of cattle in Canada which will glut the markets in this country. We therefore would like to see that embargo lifted within a reasonable time. That of course rests with the American authorities.

#### U.K. Shipments Prevent Bad Glut

There is no danger of any unwieldy glut in the Canadian market as long as the shipping of cattle to Britain continues under the triangular arrangement with Britain and New Zealand. The Canadian Board's purchases of cattle at support prices for shipment to Britain have been considerably lower for the past fortnight or so. This is largely due to the season. Not as many cattle are being bought. Of the over 40 million pounds already bought, shipments are going steadily forward. The total amount to be bought will be the equivalent of the amount shipped from New Zealand during the season to the United States. This is the amount of (Continued on Page 8)

### Milking Machine Co-op Manufacturing Plant For Canada & U.S.

ALBERT LEA, Minn. — Canadian co-operatives are working with U.S. organizations through National Co-operatives in building what will be one of the most modern plants on the continent for the making of milking machines. It will be all on one floor, streamlined for efficiency, and will be complete, it is expected, in 1953. The annual output of the present plant is between \$3 and \$4 million dollars' worth of milking machines. Equipment is designed so that a farmer may start with a small herd and modest equipment and later add to his equipment instead of replacing it.

#### Set Up Mutual Aid Fund

SASKATOON, Sask. — Credit unions affiliated with the Credit Union League in Saskatchewan have a membership of over 54,000, and assets of \$16,743,000, it was reported to the recent annual meeting in this city. Delegates approved a proposal to set up a mutual aid fund to protect members' shares and savings against possible loss and generally to assist credit unions facing financial crises.

### CRITICS DEFENCE FOOD FUND PLAN ARE GIVEN ANSWER

CFA President Describes Pur-  
poses to Which Fund  
Would Be Put

#### OFFERS SAFEGUARD

Acceptance C.F.A. View Foot-  
and-Mouth National Cal-  
amity Fortunate

TORONTO, Ont. — Answering the criticism of those who have condemned the proposals of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture for the setting up of a food fund, as a design to maintain high food prices, H. H. Hannam, President of the Federation, addressing an audience at Irish Lake in Grey County, Ont., described this criticism as "wrong and unfair".

The facts were, declared Dr. Hannam, that the farmers recommended this plan:

1. As a safeguard to help protect themselves against serious loss from time to time from glutted markets and depressed prices, and

2. To give them an opportunity to produce abundantly for the Canadian people, and those in need in other countries.

"Canada's comprehensive defence program," Dr. Hannam stated, "to cost \$5 billion in three years, has meant extraordinary industrial expansion. To date agriculture has been given no place in that program. On the contrary, the boom to industry and labor has handicapped agriculture by draining skilled manpower from the farm, by raising cost of farm supplies, and by contributing to wage increases with which agriculture finds it practically impossible to compete."

Directors of the Federation have urged that agriculture be recognized as an essential industry and be given its proper place in the defence program. Accordingly they proposed that ten per cent of the defence budget be earmarked for agriculture.

#### How Fund Would Be Used

The farm fund would be used to handle food surpluses by:

(a) Stockpiling non-perishable food, (b) giving away food in the famine areas or to undernourished people, (c) extending credits to countries unable to buy from us because of their shortage of Canadian dollars."

Dealing with the recent outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease, Dr. Hannam pointed out that the Federation had been emphatic in declaring that (Continued on Page 5)



# Central Alberta Dairy Pool Section

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# The Farmer's Means of Emancipation

**F**EW things aimed at the emancipation of the farmer have succeeded so well as the co-operatives which he has established in this country.

From whichever angle we look at them, farmers' co-operatives are the vindication of the soundness of a social, financial and economic ideology which was conceived and borne for alleviating the helplessness and despair of agriculture in a world of cutthroat competition.

### Dignity of Individual Paramount

Co-operation succeeded because it stood for a philosophy which recognizes that the dignity and the importance of the individual is paramount — a philosophy which believes that the rights of the individual can be protected only by unity and group action.

From its beginning in this country, the co-operative movement has had its enemies; but

### Talk It Over With Your Neighbor!



when we look back to the early days of agriculture we can see that it was only natural that it should have enemies.

### Speculation at Producer's Expense

Before the start of farmer co-operatives, produce, more particularly dairy produce, was bought cheaply — often below cost of production — and was resold by the purchasers at high prices to the consuming public. There was widespread speculation at the expense of the producer, and although there is still a vast difference in some food prices between that paid to the producer and what the consumer pays — the co-operatives have been a steady influence throughout.

The establishment of farm co-operatives mainly came about in this country because of the speculation that was going on in the produce of the farmer, who when unorganized was about the only producer in the country who had little or no say about the prices he should receive.

### Fortunes Made at Farmers' Expense

Many fortunes had been made by speculators — brokers and commission agents — at the expense of the farmer before he started to establish his own business to distribute and sell the produce he raised. The founding of producer co-operatives was a move to overcome these evils and it was a move to protect himself by group action.

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## COWS and CANS

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## CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

**One Hundred Attend Joint Dairy Field and 4-H Achievement Day****Ponoka Gathering in Arena Most Successful — Prizes Are Awarded**

PONOKA, Alta. — One hundred adult and Junior members attended the very successful combined Dairy Field Day and 4-H Club Achievement Day Meeting in Ponoka on July 3rd. This meeting was changed to the Arena from A. J. Avison's farm because of so much rain.

Sylvia Reid, showing a Holstein calf, won the first prize with a calf raised by the Ponoka Mental Hospital. June Avison was second with an Ayrshire heifer. Mary Rees and Patricia Rodwell were third and fourth with Holsteins, while Billy Avison took fifth with an Ayrshire.

R. P. Dixon of the Provincial Department of Agriculture placed the calves and remarked on their general desirable quality, the way in which they were handled, and the general proficiency of the Ponoka Club in only one year's training.

Of 19 members, 18 were out with 4 Ayrshire and 14 Holstein calves, of which 11 were supplied by the Ponoka Mental Hospital.

**Commissioner Judges Showmanship**

Showmanship was judged by D. A. McCallum, Dairy Commissioner, who awarded, Larry and Irene Shantz of Wetaskiwin 1st and 3rd prize, with Sylvia Reed second and Patricia Rodwell fourth.

The livestock judging prize was easily won by Irene Shantz, with Patricia Rodwell, Hazel Eastwood, Joan Christiansen and June Avison very close in order.

A. J. Avison, club leader, furnished 4 cows for a judging class. This was won by Harold Lance, with Mrs. Rodwell second, Mrs. Schalin third, and A. Groom fourth.

Mr. McCallum spoke on the income of different types of farm enterprises with special reference to dairying. Dr. J. Unrau, of the University of Alberta, emphasized good hay and haying methods.

Dr. E. E. Ballantyne outlined the treatment and importance of disease control, especially Brucellosis or Bang's, and Mastitis control.

A very satisfactory prize list was made possible by merchants of Ponoka, Jim Liddell of the P.M.H., the Central Alberta Dairy Pool and the Alberta Dairy Supplies and the Ponoka Creamery. J. L. Kerns, District Agriculturist, expressed appreciation of his Department for the assistance received from these organizations and individuals.

**Bentley Field Day Proves Profitable, Though Weather Poor**

The Bentley Field Day which was held June 30, had a rather disappointing turnout, due to adverse weather conditions; but it proved an interesting and profitable occasion all the same. Mr. Rasmussen, District Agriculturist, opened the program, and welcomed the visiting members of the Junior Calf Club, from Rocky Mountain House. He then called on D. H. McCallum, Dairy Commissioner, who gave an interesting talk on Judging Dairy Cattle.

A basket lunch was served at noon, coffee and ice cream were also provided. After lunch the prize winners were announced. Harold Brattberg made the presentations to the following club members: for young calves, 1st prize, Allen Brattberg; 2nd prize, Robert Brattberg; 3rd prize, Lloyd Burdick. In the yearling class, 1st prize was won by Robert Brattberg;

2nd, Lawrence Paull; 3rd, Helen Brattberg. Robert Brattberg also won 1st in the class for 2-year-olds. Howard Bergesen won 1st prize for judging.

There were only seven entries in the cream competition. Prizes were awarded to: 1st, Mr. E. Bergesen; 2nd, Mr. M. E. Morris; 3rd, Mr. P. Duncan.

Following the awarding of the prizes, Mr. McCallum and other guest speakers gave a brief outline of the dairy industry in general.

Britain's oil refinery target of a through-put of 20 million tons of crude oil yearly, by 1953, has already been passed.

**Borys Case Appeal Will Affect Rights of Many Oil Rich Farming Lands**

Farmers in Alberta and other possibly oil rich areas will watch with keen interest for the decision of the Privy Council in London, expected in October, in the case of Michael Borys of Leduc District vs. Imperial Oil, Ltd. and the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Mr. Borys's claim arose out of the sale of land by the C.P.R. to his father (from whom he inherited his farm) under the terms of an agreement which reserved to the company "all coal, petroleum and valuable stone". In behalf of Mr. Borys it

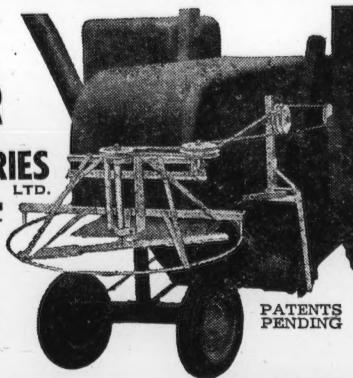
is contended that "petroleum" does not include natural gas; and that therefore the natural gas rights are his. Oil cannot be raised without some interference with, or use of, the natural gas.

The Alberta Supreme Court found in Borys's favor; but the Alberta Appeal court, decided, in effect, that the amount of gas needed to raise oil could be taken. The oil company and the railway contend that petroleum should be defined as a substance underground which includes gas in solution.

The rights of many other owners of land acquired under agreements similar to the Borys agreement will be determined by the Privy Council's decision.

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### ANOTHER SWIRL IN VICIOUS SPIRAL

At the moment when our last issue went to press, and too late for comment at the time, word came of the powerful protest which has been made by President Hannam of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture against the application of Canadian railways for further increases in freight rates.

Dr. Hannam spoke for 400,000 members of the farmers' organizations from East to West, when he declared that present trends, if continued, mean the draining away of the purchasing power of Canada's basic industry of agriculture, "with serious economic results to the whole nation."

The farmers and other groups in the nation, he pointed out, have already had to sustain six separate general increases in freight rates since March, 1948, totalling 70%.

Recent threats to the farming industry through higher costs assumed the form, Dr. Hannam said, of "another swirl in the vicious spiral which, beginning by draining essential purchasing power from Canada's basic industry of agriculture, could well lead the nation into an economic depression of major proportions."

### DEATH OF P. M. ABEL

In the death of Colonel P. M. Abel, O.B.E., joint editor of **The Country Guide**, Western Canada lost an agricultural journalist of great ability. He was an expert in his field. He wrote exceedingly well for several decades on the whole wide range of farmers' interests, and was as readable when his subject was specialized as he was when he dealt with more general matters. From the beginning of his career in the West, his contact with agriculture was broken only by periods of distinguished service, during the two world wars, with the Royal Canadian Artillery in Europe, and partially by the long illness that preceded his death.

### WHY NOT BUILD FUND NOW?

In a recent debate in the House of Commons Hon. Paul Martin, Minister of National Health, intimated that heavy costs for defence stand in the way of the adoption of a national health insurance plan.

Yet the present time of buoyant national revenues, and large surpluses, would seem to be ideal for the building up of a fund from which, in days to come, such a national plan could be financed.

There is an illuminating precedent. It was during the years of the last World War that the Government established Unemployment Insurance. Heavy costs for defence did not then block the way.

The plan adopted served a double purpose. It assisted the nation in the fight against inflation. Its effect was similar to that of public subscriptions to the War Loans. These tended, as did the contributions of industry and employees to the Unemployment Insurance Fund, to take out of circulation part of the expanded currency, the pressure of which on short supplies had an inflationary tendency.

Now the good housewife, while the fruitful land ..

Spills over with abundance, plans ahead  
To counter Winter's lean and frugal hand,  
Which, all too soon, austerity will spread.  
Over the tender fruit she richly pours

The honeyed juice that all its sweetness holds,  
Then adds each captured treasure to the stores  
That gleam with flaming reds and shining golds.  
And offerings that garden-patches yield  
In lavish plenty through her kitchen flow,  
To have their ripened goodness caught and sealed  
And laid away in darkness, row on row,  
Each jar a symbol of the urge to hold  
Some summer warmth against the coming cold.

—ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

At the same time, the nation built up through the war years a reserve against the day when production of equipment for the armed services was expected to fall off, bringing a recession in business, a decline in employment, and a consequent heavy drain on the fund.

Since the war in Europe ended, the "cold war" and the war in Korea have served to give continued stimulus to production, and the Unemployment Insurance fund has not been drawn upon to the extent that had been anticipated. But no one suggests that Unemployment Insurance should be abandoned. Its stabilizing effect is universally recognized; and the payments which continue to be made into the fund by employers and employees are of unquestionable value in the struggle, such as it is, which is being made against inflationary influences. When expenditures on defence become smaller than they are today, the fund will provide one useful road-block against recession.

In just this manner, the building up of a fund to finance national Health Insurance when the organizational groundwork shall have been fully laid, might well prove an effective check on inflation now, and contribute to economic stability as rearmament passes its peak.

It would involve at this time the withdrawal of money from circulation, as Unemployment Insurance payments did, and do, for the sake of future benefits. To reap the benefits in full we might have to wait; but their ultimate realization would be assured.

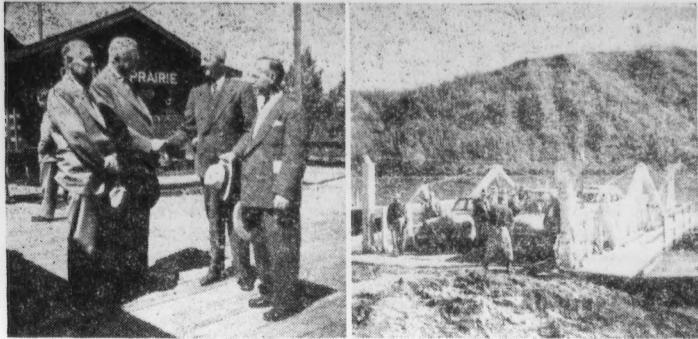
We are satisfied that the people of Canada would be as patient as the circumstances warrant — and would brook some delay in the actual inauguration of benefits if this should be found desirable — if their Government gave them clear indication, by the creation of a national reserve from which ultimately payments could be drawn, of their determination thus to lay the groundwork upon which to build in future years.

There is this to be said, too, in favor of a national Health Insurance Plan — that its advantages would accrue to every section of the population, whereas the direct benefits of Unemployment Insurance are reaped only by those citizens who are employees.

Moreover, Health Insurance on a nation-wide scale would tend, as perhaps nothing else can, to reduce the handicap under which residents of rural communities labor, in all matters that concern public health, as compared with the people who live in cities.

That, of course, the farmers' organizations, which have consistently and persistently called for the enactment of Health Insurance legislation, have long recognized.

We are inclined to think that Mr. Martin, whose devotion to the cause of public health in Canada is beyond dispute, cannot feel happy about the postponement of national Health Insurance. He has been responsible for valuable legislation. He has shown vigor and competence in administration and a continuing desire to go forward to new achievement in his Department. Perhaps, if public pressure were intensified, the way to the adoption of constructive measures in this field of Insurance might be opened.



Taken during the United Grain Growers' tour of the Peace River Country, the photographs show (left) four members of the party discussing plans at Grande Prairie. Left to right, R. C. Brown, First Vice-President; Hon. J. E. Brownlee, K.C., President and General Manager; A. F. Christie, Divisional Superintendent in charge of the Peace River area; P. C. Watt, Assistant General Manager. Right is seen the ferry at Dunvegan. No one can cross the mighty Peace at Dunvegan, notes a booklet published to celebrate the tour, "without marking it as a special event of their first trip . . . Whatever adventures the past may have recorded, travellers of today always approach the crossing with a sense of adventure, because the tales of high and low water and driftwood, and hours of delay, are all part of Dunvegan's colorful story. The present motor ferry has displaced the old cable-pontoon type, and has been in service slightly over one year."

## Cover Thousand Miles in Peace River Tour

COVERING approximately a thousand miles in the course of a tour of the Peace River country, from July 13th to 20th, directors and officials of United Grain Growers Ltd., were tremendously impressed with the crop prospects which are now shaping up throughout the whole of the large and rich area.

This statement was made by Hon. J. E. Brownlee, Q.C., LL.D., following the completion of the tour by motor of the Company's 28 operating points in the area.

At Grande Prairie, where the tour began, a meeting was held with Company agents and members of the U.G.G. Local Board, when the Company's operations in that district were reviewed.

### Hopeful of Agreement

Mr. Brownlee described his recent attendance as a member of the Canadian delegation at the meeting held in London, England, for consideration of the International Wheat Agreement. He felt that some progress had been made at the conference, and he was hopeful that when discussions are resumed in January, 1953, in Washington, an agreement acceptable to Canadian producers may be reached.

The United States Presidential election, and also the price objective of that country, as well as the hesitancy on the part of the representatives of the United Kingdom to commit themselves as far in advance as would have been necessary at the time of the meeting in London, had been factors, Mr. Brownlee believed, in preventing further progress at the spring conference.

### Other Meetings Held

Meetings of Local Boards and agents were held at Dawson Creek and Fairview. After conferring with officials of the Chamber of Commerce at McLennan, who made representations with a view to the building of a new elevator at that point based on increased grain production, the party continued to High Prairie, where they boarded a special car which brought them back to Edmonton.

All who joined in the tour were enthusiastic about the agricultural potential of the Peace River Country for the present season, and the significant development which is taking place in other ways. The tour followed a regular meeting of the Board which had been held in Edmonton in mid-July. By Frank T. Allison

### Lacombe Swine Field Day

LACOMBE. — The eleventh annual field day for advanced registry for swine will be held at the Livestock Pavilion of the Dominion Experimental Farm here, on Wednesday, August 6th. Roy C. Marler will be the chairman for the day, and there will be addresses and discussions on various aspects of swine raising, and a tour of the Farm swine herd. A film on foot-and-mouth disease will be shown.

Now that chemical sprays are so widely used by vegetable and fruit growers to combat various pests and blights, all fruits and vegetables should be carefully washed in water before using, warns the Health League of Canada.

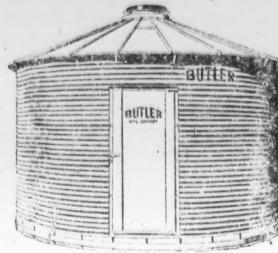
HANNAM ANSWERS (Cont'd from P 1) the outbreak was a national calamity, and that the loss from such should be borne by all Canada.

Fortunately, this point of view prevailed, and the program of eradication, compensation and protection of the producers' position by support prices has been fairly successful.

### Could Threaten Nation With Major Depression

OTTAWA, Ont.—Still further freight rate increases, if granted, will be a bitter disappointment to Canadian citizens, coming at a time when there was a general feeling that inflation had been licked, declared Dr. H. H. Hannam, president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture. They constitute "another swirl in the vicious spiral that could well threaten the nation with a major economic recession," he said. Pointing out that since March, 1938, Canadian farmers had already had to assume six separate general increases in these rates totalling 70 per cent, Mr. Hannam urged that granting of the proposed further increases would deal the farming industry a blow "both severe and unfair."

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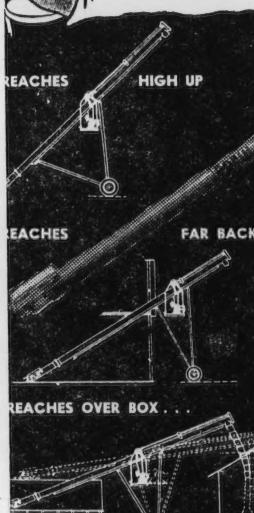
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Canadian housewives can today buy between 20 and 25 per cent more A recent review in retail beef prices beef for a dollar than they could at showed an average decline, in fourthe beginning of the year, points out prairie centres, of 21 per cent be-a recent statement from the Council between mid-December, 1951, and July of Canadian Beef Producers (West- ist, 1952. This means that Western Section).

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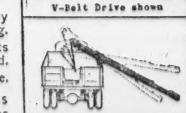
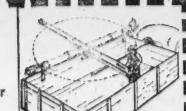
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## REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

The 25th year of Canada Packers closed March 26th, 1952  
(Hereinafter the year is designated 'Fiscal 1952').

Dollar Sales were at a new high .....	\$390,000,000
Previous high,—Fiscal 1951,—was .....	\$356,000,000
Tonnage (weight of product sold) was also at a new high,—lbs. ....	1,708,000,000
Previous high,—Fiscal 1950,—lbs. ....	1,699,000,000
Net Profit was .....	\$1,964,545
After Depreciation .....	\$1,392,790
" Income Tax .....	1,904,923
" contribution to Employees' Retirement Plan .....	465,885
	\$3,763,598

Expressed as a percentage of sales, Net Profit was the lowest in the history of the Company,—viz. ....

In the low year of the depression,—Fiscal 1932,—net profit in terms of sales was ....

Net Profit in terms of product sold was .... 11.5c per 100 lbs.  
that is, just over 1/9 of 1 cent per lb.

Because profit was only slightly more than sufficient to meet the dividend ... (\$1,800,000) ... nothing could be set aside for bonus to employees. For sixteen years bonuses had been paid without interruption, totalling ... \$14,460,000. The fact that none was possible this year was a cause of sincere regret to the Directors. The policy of sharing profits with employees when operating results permit has not been changed.

The meagre profit of the year was due to severe price declines (and consequent inventory losses) on several of the chief products handled by the Company.

The following table sets up prices month by month on those products.

TABLE I

Average Monthly Price per lb. on Certain Products  
April, 1951, to March, 1952

	Steers	Hogs	Cottonseed	Hides	Calfskins	Wool
	1000 lbs.	B-1	Oil	Light	'B' Super	Toronto
	down	Dressed		Native	Cow	
April 1951 ..	Toronto	Toronto	Toronto	Toronto	Toronto	Toronto
32.94c	32.07c	32.74c	40.75c	82.00c	\$2.75	
32.73	34.89	30.98	39.50	71.00	2.25	
33.69	38.00	24.75	39.50	68.00	1.50	
33.91	39.51	21.78	29.50	60.00	.95	
33.48	36.13	22.58	32.00	45.00	.70	
33.61	32.90	22.07	30.50	47.50	.90	
33.77	30.13	21.52	32.00	51.00	.99	
33.62	29.39	20.08	25.00	38.00	.92	
34.12	29.53	19.81	23.50	37.00	.95	
32.86	28.44	18.30	19.50	33.00	.90	
28.56	26.48	17.78	15.25	24.00	.80	
25.93	26.25	17.60	15.50	25.50	.70	

The declines on Cottonseed Oil, Hides, Calfskins and Wool are more nearly 'vertical' than any since the post-war deflation of 1920-21.

However, there is one important difference.

In 1920-21 almost all commodities declined vertically. In the present decline the number of products is limited. Prices of most other products handled did not decline. In some cases they advanced.

In fact, the **average** price of all products sold within the year advanced substantially. This is revealed in the following table.

TABLE II

	Tonnage	Sales	Average Price per lb.
Fiscal 1951 ..	1,693,000,000 lbs.	\$356,000,000	21.1c
Fiscal 1952 ..	1,708,000,000 lbs.	\$390,000,000	22.9c

The 'averages' in the above table are not fully comparable, inasmuch as the distribution of products (the relation of each to the total) is not constant. However, the comparison is valid as a general indication of price trends. Throughout most of the year, prices of both cattle and hogs (the heavy-volume products) were at record high levels. This was particularly the case in respect of cattle. In December and January, prices of certain grades of cattle actually advanced to a level at which substantial numbers were imported from United States. It was the first time such a movement had occurred in 32 years.

The seeming conflict in price trends,—between the advance reflected in Table II and the sharp breaks of Table I,—is less confusing than at first appears. The dominant trend, as revealed by the advance of Table II, is one of strength. That strength derives from the colossal defence programmes of the United States and Canada.

Though both programmes are somewhat behind schedule, and though there are signs in United States of some disposition to whittle down, nevertheless these programmes remain the dominant factor in the economy of both countries.

On the other hand,—notwithstanding the underlying strength,—the price declines set forth in Table I are a natural reaction to advances which had reached an abnormally high level.

Compared to pre-war (1935-39 equals 100), general wholesale prices now stand at approximately 230.

Relatively to the same base (1935-39 equals 100), the high points of the products listed in Table I were as follows:—

Cattle .....	(December) .....	563
Hogs .....	(July) .....	334
Cottonseed Oil .....	(April) .....	459
Hides .....	(") .....	349
Calfskins .....	(") .....	429
Wool .....	(") .....	902

These phenomenal advances on the one hand stimulated production and on the other brought substitutes into the market. Substitutes became especially important in the case of wool and leather.

Although the collapse of these extraordinary prices carried a heavy penalty in the form of inventory losses, nevertheless the final result has been to restore more normal operating conditions. Providing the defence programme is maintained, the prospect of the year ahead is for a normal operating profit.

It will be noted that the break in cattle prices occurred in February, 1952. It was brought about, not as a reaction to high prices (though prices were very high), but as a result of a specific event. That event was the announcement that foot and mouth disease had broken out in **Southern Saskatchewan**.

This outbreak precipitated a crucial situation in the Live Stock Industry.

Canada produces annually a surplus of meats of three to four hundred million pounds. For this surplus the United States had become the only external outlet. (In calendar 1951, 98 per cent of the surplus found its way to the U.S. market.)

On the day that foot and mouth disease was announced (February 25th, 1952) the United States placed an embargo against all live stock and meats from Canada.

The Government of Canada was the only entity able to cope with a crisis of such magnitude. Failing prompt action by the Government, an immediate collapse would have occurred in all live stock prices.

Prompt action was taken.

The Government summoned the representatives of the Packing Industry to Ottawa and informed them of the policy to be followed. From the discus-

# Edmonton's Exhibition Is Biggest in History

EDMONTON'S 74th annual Exhibition was the biggest in history. Total attendance for the week was 316,890, as compared with 300,056 for 1951. The racing total for the week was \$1,056,479 and marked the first time in history that the pari-mutuels in Edmonton took in over \$1,000,000. Both attendance and betting figures would have been higher if inclement weather had not drastically cut into Tuesday's figures.

## "All Peoples — One Nation"

The Exhibition opened on Monday, July 14th, with the second annual "Mammoth Parade of Progress". It was by far the most outstanding and spectacular parade in the city's history. Over 100 floats, 20 Edmonton and district bands took part in the parade, which started at 10:00 a.m. from 117 St. and Jasper Ave. The theme around which the parade was built was exemplified in the float leading the parade, "All Peoples — One Nation".

This is the second year in which chuckwagon races were featured with the grandstand show. Over 12,000 people jammed the new grandstand every night to watch these world-famous races. Johnny Phelan's outfit of Red Deer, with Ronnie Glass as driver, won the coveted championship trophy and \$1,000 for placing first in the final money.

The livestock entries on the whole were down about 15% from last year. However, entries in sheep and dairy cattle were higher than 1951. There were no herds from outside the Province with the exception of the entry of horses by J. D. Charles of Pleasantdale, Sask.

## 4-H Clubs Exhibits Feature

One of the outstanding features of the Exhibition this year was the 4-H Club Thematic Exhibits. The display by Alberta's 4-H Clubs attracted con-

siderable attention from patrons attending the fair. The display was built around a theme such as "Permanency and Profit on a Balanced Livestock Farm", "Make Your Garden Work for You", "Soils Blow and Wash Away", etc. First award of \$100 was won by the Winterburn 4-H Club — John La Perle, president, Audrey Ziegler, secretary, and Alex Ziegler, club leader.

## Boys' and Girls' Farm Camp

Another feature was the third annual Boys' and Girls' Farm Camp, attended by 75 farm boys and girls from Central Alberta to the Peace River country. They heard lectures on agriculture and home economics and participated in all the attractions at the Exhibition, courtesy of the Edmonton Exhibition Board.

Two were awarded \$100 Edmonton Rotary Scholarships, tenable at either Fairview, Olds or Vermilion Schools of Agriculture. They were Norman Runzer, 18, Tomahawk, and Violet Bustead, 17, Clyde. The presentations were made by F. N. Miller, Assistant Manager of the Edmonton Exhibition, at a banquet held in the I.O.D.E. dining hall on the grounds Thursday evening.

## Rally Attended by 250

The third annual 4-H Club Rally on Thursday attracted about 250 club members despite the rainy weather early Thursday morning. One club

leader and three club members from each of 25 clubs in the Edmonton District participated in a banquet and grandstand show. During the day they took part in several contests, judging demonstrations and tour of exhibits.

The whole 4-H Club program is to be extended at next year's Exhibition, marking its 75th anniversary.

## LIVESTOCK AWARDS

In Ayrshire classes, Richards Bros. of Red Deer repeated their Calgary success, winning male and female grand champions. Hodgson and Boret, Forest Lawn, had the reserve grand champion bull. Wm. McFaul, Sardis, B.C., judged these classes.

Geo. W. Bull, of Midnapore, judged the Herefords, awarding grand and reserve championships for bulls to J. A. Paul of Okotoks. C. J. Kallal, Tofield, had the grand champion female.

The grand champion Shorthorn bull was shown by R. H. Byers, Clover Bar, and the grand champion female by W. L. Robinson, Vermilion. Jas. Killoh, Hamiota, Manitoba, was the judge.

Highland Stock Farms, Calgary, showed the grand champion Aberdeen-Angus bull, and Roy Ballhorn, Wetaskiwin, the grand champion female. H. L. Sweet, Morningside, had the grand champion Red Polls, male and female. Fred Major, Edmonton, judged the Aberdeen-Angus classes, and W. McComb, Hayfield, Man., the Red Polls.

Grand champion Holstein-Friesians, male and female, were shown by J. W. Hosford & Son, Edmonton. W. H. Hicks, Agassiz, B.C., was the judge.

Jerseys were judged by Oliver Evans, Chilliwack, B.C., who awarded grand and reserve championships, male and female, to C. D. and D. J. Enman, Wetaskiwin.

In sheep, P. J. Rock and Son, Drumheller, showed the champion Hampshire ewe, the University of Alberta having the champion ram. The Rock

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farm made a clean sweep of firsts in Suffolk classes. Dorothy Hebsen, Okotoks, showed the champion Southdown ram, and won other major awards in these classes.

O. N. Harter, Edmonton, showed the grand champion boar, and Lord Rodney, Fort Saskatchewan, the grand champion sow.

W. Montgomery, Calgary, had the grand champion Clydesdale stallion, and twelve other awards in this class.

Percherons were judged by Jonathan Fox, Jr., of Lloydminster. With eighteen awards, Hardy E. Salter, Calgary, pretty well swept the boards.

M. E. Latam, Bremner, won 22 awards in Belgian classes, including that for grand champion stallion.

## Judging Contest

In the boys' and girls' judging competitions, Gordon Patriquin, South Edmonton, came first in the 16 to 20 years competition, with June Avison, Ponoka, second, and Marlene Enman, Wetaskiwin, third. Roberta Enman and Carol Enman came first and second, respectively, in the 10 to 15 years contest for girls, while the winners in the boys' competition in this age group were Donald Bacon, North Edmonton; Peter Wyllie, Leduc; George Stannard, South Edmonton; Eric Stannard; Stanley R. Stannard; and Hugh Wyllie.

cion it became clear that the only imminent crisis was in respect of hogs. The heavy run of hogs was just setting in.

The steps taken were:—

- (a) A floor price for hogs,—previously announced,—was continued. The price was 26c per lb. dressed weight, for 'A' hogs.
- (b) The Government undertook to purchase all the surplus over and above current consumption, in the form of tinned pork meat. That was the only form in which space for storing the surplus was available.

These measures tided over the situation until April 22nd, when increased marketings were beginning to threaten a collapse of cattle prices. Again a floor price was announced,—viz. 25c Toronto and Montreal for Good Steers.

At the same time an ingenious three-way plan was worked out by officers of the Department of Agriculture whereby Canadian beef is to be shipped to United Kingdom, substituting for beef purchased (by U.K.) from New Zealand. The N.Z. beef in turn is to be shipped to United States and sold there for what it will bring.

The Canadian beef so far shipped to U.K. has been largely stall-fed, and better in quality than the N.Z. beef which it replaces. The U.K., which gets this beef at the N.Z. price, will, therefore, benefit substantially from the arrangement. The N.Z. beef will reach U.S. in a frozen condition, which will subtract from its value in that market.

Live stock is one of Canada's most important industries. Four hundred thousand farm families are engaged in the production of food animals. Many of those families depend upon live stock as their main source of income.

The meats and other food products derived from live stock are a most important element in the nation's diet.

Moreover, the export of the surplus meats and by-products is a major source of external revenue.

All of this structure was threatened by the outbreak of foot and mouth disease. The Government was confronted with an immediate and heavy responsibility. There was only one way of avoiding a complete collapse of prices;—viz. to 'lift' the surplus off the market.

That the steps taken were, in principle, the only ones possible there can be no doubt. The loss involved in carrying them through is not yet known. The loss will be heavy,—but only a fraction of that which would have followed if the situation had been allowed to drift.

In carrying out those plans the Packing Industry played an essential role. That Industry had been built, not to deal with such a crisis, but as the processing and marketing segment of the greater Live Stock Industry. That it has been soundly built was evidenced by the fact that, when the crisis came, the Government had only to make its plans and instruct the Packing Industry to carry them through.

And all of this was done at a cost to the community of a fraction of a cent per pound.

## EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

The difficult conditions of the past year have led to a careful and constant review of operating methods. Certain improvements and economies have been introduced. In this campaign for higher efficiency, the operating officers have had full co-operation from employees of all ranks. For this, Directors express their warmest appreciation.

Mention has been made that no bonus distribution was possible out of the profits of the year. However, out of the previous year's profits, in addition to a cash bonus of \$1,300,000, a sum of \$500,000 had been set aside as the nucleus of an Employees' Savings Fund.

As bonuses had been paid without interruption for sixteen years, Directors felt that employees had come to count upon a year-end cheque, and accordingly decided to distribute this year the sum set aside last year,—viz. \$500,000. This has been done.

It is hoped that the results of the coming year will permit the resumption of bonus payments upon the accustomed scale.

Toronto, June 7th, 1952.

J. S. McLEAN,  
President.

Extra copies of this report are available and so long as they last, will be mailed to anyone requesting them. Address to Canada Packers Limited, Toronto 9.

## WORLD CHRONICLE

**July 17th.** — Broadcast by Chinese foreign minister, Chou En-lai, indicates Communists might be willing to settle prisoner-of-war difference by transfer in disputed cases to mutually agreeable third power. Qavam succeeds Mossadegh as premier of Iran. London stock market dips, following announcement by Churchill of "grave and far-reaching measures" believed to presage more austerity. Church of England newspaper says dismissal of Dean of Canterbury would endanger freedom of speech.

**July 18th.** — Korean truce talks resumed after four days' recess. Washington reports government may seize some strike-bound steel mills under 1948 selective service act. U.S. mutual security agency stops financing of Middle East crude oil supplies to Britain and other European countries, pending investigation of complaints of over-charging.

**July 19th.** — Truman calls for immediate negotiated end of steel strike; lays blame on management.

**July 20th.** — Farouk refuses to accept resignation of Sirry Pasha, premier for the past eighteen days. In Tehran Mossadegh supporters riot, threaten death to Qavam.

**July 21st.** — Washington awards contracts for nearly a billion dollars for atomic weapons. Ottawa states

### Democrats' Choice



In a simple, scholarly and dignified speech which contrasted sharply with the normal convention ballyhoo, Governor Adlai Stevenson (above), "the reluctant candidate", accepted the nomination of the Democrats at Chicago last week as their standard-bearer in the election for the Presidency of the United States; and promised to "fight with all my heart and soul" for victory in the campaign. He warned of the gravity of the issues which will face the American nation in days to come. He has been compared to Woodrow Wilson, but has a sense of humor.

India wants another \$10 millions of

### Churchill's Warning

"We in this country are all convinced that it would be a great mistake, with Europe in its present condition, for the United Nations or the United States to be involved in a war with a Communist Government inside China." — Winston Churchill, in the British House of Commons, in debate on the situation in Korea.

Canadian wheat under Colombo Plan.

**July 22nd.** — Qavam resigns, after two-day attempts to form government in Iran; twenty reported killed in rioting. International Court of Justice, at The Hague, upholds Iranian contention it has no power to deal with Anglo-Iranian oil dispute. Speaking to American Chamber of Commerce in London, G. E. P. Thorneycroft says increased barriers against British exports to U.S. would strike heavy blow against British solvency. Red Cross Secretary-General de Rouge sees no indication of East-West split in forthcoming International Red Cross conference, in Toronto; all 68 countries adhering to Geneva convention to be represented. New Egyptian premier, Hilaly Pasha, declares state of emergency. In Iran, Mossadegh comes back into power.

**July 23rd.** — Egyptian army, under General Naguib Mohammed, seizes power in Cairo; demands purge of army and political leaders. Minister of Health Martin, speaking to Red Cross International gathering in Toronto, says that if peoples of world could speak with one voice they would find other means than war to settle international disputes. Truman summons labor and management heads to meet tomorrow on steel strike settlement.

**July 24th.** — Truman announces end of 53-day steel strike; workers to get pay increase and modified union shop, management permitted to raise prices. Washington asks Russia to use influence to get Chinese and North Koreans to comply with Geneva convention on treatment of prisoners of war; charges three specific violations. U.K. meat ration to be increased slightly on August 3rd, announced. Syngman Rhee accepts nomination for president, in Korea.

**July 25th.** — Adlai Stevenson, Governor of Illinois, receives Democratic nomination for President; Senator John Sparkman of Alabama nominee for Vice-President; convention adopts compromise civil rights policy, received as satisfactory by Negro leaders. Churchill receives delegation

labor leaders, protesting ruling of labor Minister Monkton against wage increases for 1,500,000 shop workers. Britain begins shipment of \$1,400,000 wool order to China; government spokesman says non-strategic goods, "providing we can spare them" will be sold to China. Russians at Red Cross conference voted down in attempt to bring up charges Russian children detained in West Germany. U.S. to continue aid to Denmark, but, says Truman, with deep regret that tanker was shipped to Russia July 7th.

**July 26th.** — Farouk forced to abdicate, ordered by army to leave Egypt; infant son to reign. Allied negotiators announce they will not attend truce talks until August 3rd. Eva Peron, wife of president of Argentina, and co-dictator with him, dies. Prince Borghese, former Fascist war hero, cheered by 600 delegates at convention of new Fascist party, "Italian Social Movement." Britain has guided missiles that can travel at over 2,000 miles an hour, says Supply Minister Sandys.

### Continue Present Fee Until Next F.U.A. Annual Convention

The present membership fee will be continued until the next annual convention, it was decided at the Midsummer Board meeting of the Farmers' Union of Alberta, held in Edmonton, reports Mrs. Gertrude Wohl, secretary.

Consideration was given to the proposal of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture for a survey of the advisability and practicability of further consolidation of the farm organizations. A committee of three was set up to discuss the matter with the A.F.A. and to report to the next Board meeting. Plans were made for the Annual Convention to be held in Edmonton in December, and the International Wheat Agreement was discussed. It was announced that the membership has now passed the 20,000 mark.

Following the meeting, the Board went on to Saskatoon to attend the Interprovincial Farm Conference there.

### OTTAWA LETTER

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beef that would have been shipped by New Zealand to Great Britain and which will be shipped instead to the United States.

### May Exceed 60 Million Pounds

New Zealand has estimated that the total will be 60 million pounds, but has also stated the amount may be higher. There is, therefore, a considerable margin still to be shipped by Canada to Great Britain. While we are in the Northern, New Zealand is in the Southern hemisphere, and the beef shipping seasons do not coincide. New Zealand beef shipments are only in their initial stage, but will be coming forward in the months ahead.

### Place Canned Pork on Market

About 40 million pounds of manufactured pork, that is in cans, are being sold at 40 cents a pound in carload lots. Sales began on Monday, the price of 40 cents being on basis delivery Toronto, the price at other centres being calculated on freight differentials. The pork is being sold by the government agents, who are the packers, and it bears the packers' individual brands. This pork being placed on the market is the pork taken over by the Board to relieve the market of the surplus of hogs delivered by producers several months past. The Government had to step in, take over the surplus in the emergency that existed, and preserve the pork for future disposition.

Canadian markets for cattle during the past week have been rather dull and lifeless, largely because of the hot weather. Any good and choice steers in some markets brought a 50 cent higher price than in the previous week, but in general there was apathy on the part of both buyers and sellers. The beef trade was at a low ebb. The run of cattle last week was the lowest since the last week of April.

**July 27th.** — Mossadegh says he's confident of restoring oil production in Iran.

**July 28th.** — London reports Anglo-Iranian Oil will begin large-scale oil explorations in Western Canada. Maj.-Gen. Shoosmith named by Britain as deputy to Gen. Clark in Korea.

**July 29th.** — Britain to cut imports in effort to balance trade, announced by Chancellor of Exchequer Butler. Commonwealth prime ministers' conference to be held in London in November. U.S. attacked bitterly in Iranian parliament. Tudeh party threatens Shah of Iran with dethronement.

**July 30th.** — Van Fleet says there's now less chance than ever of a truce in Korea.

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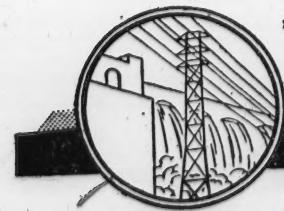
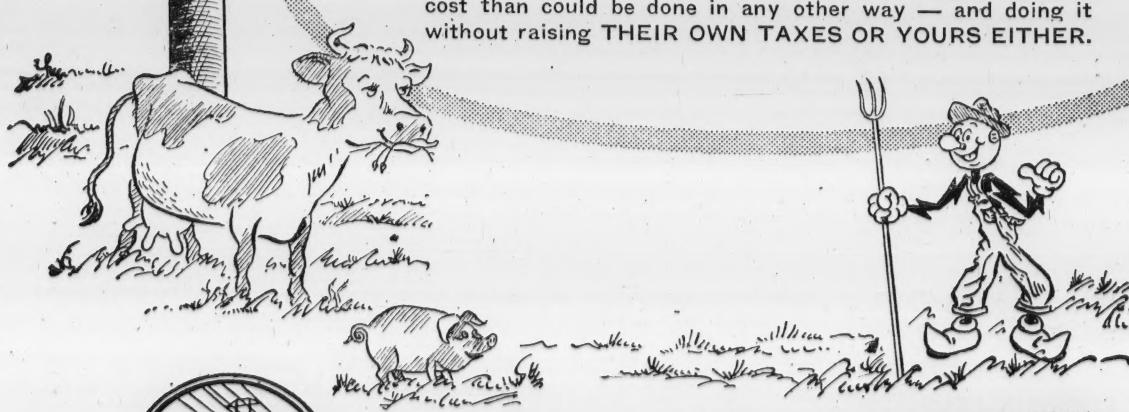


## What You Should Know About Rural Electrification in Alberta

- Q. *How much would it cost to electrify all the farms in Alberta?*
- A. It is estimated it would cost possibly 200 million dollars, or more than twice the present total provincial debt.
- Q. *Who would actually pay for so-called "FREE" electrification of the farms?*
- A. Everybody would have to pay. The government would have to borrow the hundreds of millions of dollars required; and repay it plus interest by increasing everybody's tax bill — including yours.
- Q. *Who pays the cost of farm electrification today?*
- A. Only the farmers who want electricity. They pay for it only when they get it.
- Q. *Are Alberta farmers getting rural electrification today as cheaply as possible?*
- A. Yes, they are getting it at cost.
- Q. *Are Alberta farmers getting rural electrification today as quickly as possible?*
- A. Yes. Rural electrification is going ahead in Alberta at a rapid pace—as fast as man-power and materials will permit. For instance, the Power Companies in Alberta purchased every pole which was available from all suppliers everywhere last year for farm electrification.

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# FARM WOMEN'S INTERESTS

Including News of The Farm Women's Union of Alberta

## WHEN TIME GOES ON WINGS

Comox, B.C.

Dear Farm Women:

There was a time when I thought that, as one grew older, Time so dragged that it almost hung on one's hands. That probably is the case if one is an invalid, but the majority of us who have grown older will agree that while one is still working Time may have slowed us considerably, but as for itself it seems to go on wings.

### Items Especially Noted

I could not believe it possible when the mail came in tonight that The Western Farm Leader was here again. I might say it was very interesting to note the activity of our present President of the Farm Women's Union in her organization work. It was also interesting to read of our Past President's work in the National Farm Radio Forum; a field absolutely unthought of in the work of the early days of our organization. It is pleasant to think our organization helps develop women for the wider field of activities in the Province and beyond.

### British Columbia Endures Drought

And what have I to report of British Columbia? Well, the greater part of it is enjoying a drought at present, I think, or I suppose I should say "enduring" a drought; something most prairie people understand. But it is still in a somewhat unsettled state. Politically it is practically definite that the Social Credit Government is the Government in power by the narrow majority of one.

The strikes, however, are still unsettled. The Industrial Woodworkers of America — generally called the loggers' strike here — and the carpenters' strike seem as unyielding as ever. In addition to these two, what is called the fishermen's strike comes into effect today, I believe. The fishermen demanding more money for their fish from the canneries is the cause. All in all, it does not contribute to the economic well-being of British Columbia.

You in Alberta are much more fortunate, I hear. I saw a letter today of a visitor to the Province, and his comment was that it was rare to see a car more than two years old. However, despite all the good fortune of

oil and good crops, I felt I would be safe in hazarding that many an older model could be found on some of the farms through the country. But it was most pleasing reading, and to think that many had found themselves financially bettered after years of hard work.

### Rounding Out of Years

There are some who decry the part money can play in the lives of people. True it is that it, of itself, can not make for a happy rounding out of the years, but what it can buy can make a very great contribution to the ease and comfort of life. Many a personal ambition can be realized. Also there is the pleasure of being able to make free contribution to many a cause and many a person.

But while working to the end that we have at least a sufficiency, there is another preparation for old age that is most essential, and that is developing an interest than can be carried down through the years. There are few more pitiful plights to see than those of people who, when the years no longer permit the harder physical toil of other years, or when they are retired from what has been their occupation, are almost lost, as we say, because they lack this interest.

The interest which gives savor to old age may be in some phase of former work or in something which leisure now permits. Without it, living is something like sitting at a feast unable to taste of the sumptuous fare offered.

In this sense it is well to take thought for the morrow.

Yours sincerely,  
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

## News of Women's Locals

A weiner roast was arranged recently by Ardrossan F.W.U.A., writes Mrs. D. Horton, secretary, their farmers' day picnic having been rained out.

Mrs. I. McIntyre was hostess to a "grand meeting" of Hazel Bluff F.W.U.A. (Westlock) recently, reports Mrs. J. Stanton, the secretary.

Edwell F.W.U.A. (Penhold) arranged recently to hear an address on civil defence, by Mr. Lister, and planned a picnic for the Red Deer Rotary Club.

To answer roll call at a recent meeting of Inland F.W.U.A. members showed old snapshots, writes Mrs. N. Zakordonski. Plans were made to attend one day at Vermilion Farm Women's Week.

Evergreen F.W.U.A. has decided to hold joint meetings with the men's Local during the summer, as it is difficult for most of them to get to meetings during the busy season, reports the secretary, Mrs. M. A. Brandon. With ideal weather, the annual picnic was well attended. A parade, led by the Girls' Pipe Band from Red

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Members of Three Hills and Carbon Locals were guests of Swalwell F.W.U.A. recently, at a meeting held in the community hall. Mrs. Cameron, the district director, spoke. Mrs. Henry Esau gave two vocal solos and Mrs. James Young gave readings. A

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## National Secretary Farm Radio Forum Has Interesting Tour

Floyd Griesbach, Secretary of National Farm Radio Forum, has spent much of this summer in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Early in July he was invited to be chairman of a Farmer-Labor-Teacher Conference at Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask., and he is also participating on the staff of the Group Development Institute at Qu'Appelle.

Between conferences, Mr. Griesbach visited Forums in Alberta. Four groups held a picnic at Elk Island Park, and a picnic of three groups was held at the Experimental Station at Lacombe. A picnic planned for Stavely was rained out.

Mr. Griesbach also attended the Community Life Conference at Beaverlodge, taking part in two of the discussions, as well as the leadership school at Drumheller, where he took charge of an afternoon program on "The Operation of Discussion Groups".

### Interest Encouraging

"Interest shown in Farm Forum was very marked," he informed **The Western Farm Leader** in Calgary, "but I find it difficult to understand why the rural organizations in Western Canada do not make more organized use of the service, which is designed to be used by existing organizations and not to become another organization."

Canada is the first country to combine the use of radio, printed study material, small discussion groups and the reporting back and forth between groups into a service such as Farm Forum to be used by existing rural organizations. The networks seem to understand why we are on the job, and in general I find more cause for encouragement now than at any previous time since I have been on the job."

competition, "How many 4-letter words can be formed from the letters in United Farm Women" was won by Mrs. Christie. Lunch was served by Mrs. C. S. Howe, Mrs. W. Howe and Mrs. Woodland.

A trip to the horticulture plots at the University Farm, in Edmonton, has been arranged by Namao F.W.U.A. for August 6th, reports Mrs. Helen Bailey. A flower show is also planned, with a prize to the entrant winning the most points in the various classes.

One Tree F.W.U.A. are helping the F.U.A. prepare a float, representing the One Tree district, for the E.I.D. parade in Brooks next week, writes Mrs. H. Houseman. At the last meeting Elizabeth Vecosi reported on Farm Young People's Week. The Local are now sending Louise Gray to Red Deer, for the Health and Recreation Course.

Despite heavy rain and muddy roads, the Farmers' Day picnic was a great success, reports Mrs. W. J. Edmunds, secretary of Royce F.W.U.A.

CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION (Continued from Page 2)

**But, despite this, many are still not conscious of what co-operation has achieved for the farmer, and they forget the fact that had it not been for the pioneers of the movement in this country, they would still be fighting a losing battle and taking what was offered instead of being able to put the forces of their unity against oppositions.**

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The major part of the Local's share of the proceeds is being devoted to repairing the community hall and improving the grounds. Highlight of the meeting was the very interesting report given by Mrs. Schwendemann on the Peace River Convention.

Plans were made at a recent meeting of Ranfurly F.W.U.A. for several of the members to attend one day of the Farm Women's Week at Vermilion. Mrs. G. Bown, recording secretary, also reports that plans were made for a picnic on August 10th, at Holvics Lake, for members and friends. Strawberry short-cake was the "piece de resistance" in the lunch served by Mrs. Thatchuk and Mrs. P. Austin.

### FARM HOME & GARDEN

**Fruit Punch:** For 45 to 50 servings, pour 4 cups boiling water over 8 tsp. tea; brew 5 minutes, and strain. Add 1 cup sugar, 1 cup lemon juice, 1 quart orange juice, and 4 tins apricot nectar. Chill. Just before serving, add 3 quarts ginger ale and garnish with thin lemon slices.

**Maple Milk:** Beat well together 1 cup milk with 2 tbs. maple syrup. For **Russian Chocolate**, add 1 egg and  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup strong coffee to 1 cup chocolate milk. For **Spiced Milk**, add to 1 cup of milk 1 tsp. sugar, and a sprinkle each of salt, nutmeg, cloves, cinnamon. For **Fruit Frosted Milk**, add 3 tbs. sweetened fruit juice (strawberry, raspberry, peach or pear juice) to 1 cup milk. All these milk drinks should be well beaten with rotary beater and served very cold.

**Chicken Scaté:** Brown 1 cup raw rice in  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup of butter; put in greased casserole, add about 1 cup minced cooked chicken, 3 cups of broth, salt and pepper to taste, and, if liked, a little finely minced onion. Bake for an hour in a medium oven.

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### Gain Strength From Year to Year

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## The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT  
Superintendent of Publicity  
Alberta Wheat Pool

Conditions continue favorable across most of the Prairie Provinces, and a bumper crop is in prospect, particularly in Saskatchewan and Manitoba. With a break in the weather over the next couple of months, it is possible that this year's crop may be as large as the record crop of 545 million bushels produced in 1928. Last year's wheat crop was placed at 530 million bushels. Oat and barley production will be proportionately large.

### Face Marketing Problem

If prairie farmers are able to take off the heavy crop now in prospect, they will be faced with another serious marketing problem. About half of the space in country elevators in Alberta is already filled with last year's grain, and although grain is being moved out as quickly as possible, the large volume involved will make it impossible to empty elevators before the new crop starts to move. At the middle of July, about 54 million bushels of grain were in store in Alberta country elevators, as against 31 million at the same time last year.

A delivery quota of 5 bushels an acre for wheat and rye and 4 bushels of oats and barley has been estab-

## The Dairy Market

Prices are unchanged. Locally, special cream is 58, No. 1 is 56, No. 2 is 47 and off-grade is 41. Prints are 59 cents.

## Egg and Poultry Market

An advance in egg prices brings A1 large (to producers) to 50, medium 48, and small 40; A large are 45 down to 35; B are 27; C 22 and crax 20. There has been no change in poultry prices. Dressed chickens, over 5 lbs., A are 39, B 34, C 26; 4 to 5 lbs., 37 down to 24; under 4 lbs., 28 down to 16. Dressed fowl, over 5 lbs., 22 down to 12; 4 to 5 lbs., 19 down to 10; under 4 lbs., 16 down to 7.

lished at most points. Under such conditions, it is apparent that farmers will have to store the largest part of this year's crop right on their own farms. Farmers will be well advised to investigate increasing their farm storage space.

### Exports Near Record Levels

Despite the fact that a large portion of last year's crop was of low grade, much of it requiring drying, wheat exports this year are running at near record levels. During the eleven-month period ending June 1st, exports had totalled 313 million bushels as against 209 million in the same period a year ago. Even with these heavy exports, it looks like Canada will have a carryover of possibly a hundred million bushels more than last year's carryover of 186 million bushels.

## Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, July 30th — Hogs sold yesterday \$24.75. Good to choice dry fed butcher steers were \$24 to \$26.50, down to \$16 for common. Good to choice dry fed heifers \$23.50 to \$25.50, down to \$15.50 for common. Good to choice fed calves \$24 to \$26, down to \$21; good cows \$17 to \$18.50, down to \$13.50; canners and cutters \$10 to \$13. Good stocker and feeder steers \$21.50 to \$23, down to \$17 for common.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, July 28th. — Most sales of choice light steers on this market last week rated from \$24.75 to \$25.50. Medium to good heifers priced from \$20.50 to \$23.50; most good cows brought \$18.50 to \$19.50; good bologna bulls priced mostly from \$14.50 to \$15.50. Hogs closed at \$25.25, Grade A.

## Breed Sawfly Resistant

### Wheats at Lethbridge Lab

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. — Breeding of sawfly-resistant wheats, as well as fundamental research on the sawfly and the host plant, are being carried out at the Cereal Breeding Laboratory here, under the Federal Department of Agriculture. New hybrid wheats are developed and tested each year. One of these, Chinook, was licensed this spring. It possesses better quality characteristics than Rescue, it is stated, but is slightly less resistant to sawfly damage.

## Voice Criticism of Grain Commissioners

Criticism of the Board of Grain Commissioners was voiced by the Interprovincial Farm Unions in a brief presented by J. L. Phelps, president of the S.F.U., in Winnipeg recently. The charge was made that in popular opinion, "the Board, in its operation, has become too closely allied with the organized grain trade."

A thorough investigation of grain mixing practices was requested. It was also recommended that systems of recording be re-instituted, to provide complete records of grain handling and mixing; that all tough and damp grain, artificially dried, should be re-weighed after drying, and the practice of estimating weights discontinued.

### Say Quota System Abused

Imposition of the delivery quota system, it was said, had largely removed the competitive element from the elevator business. "We have reason to believe," stated the brief, "that certain abuses have crept in."

More publicity, it was contended, should be given to the "Subject to Grade and Dockage ticket" provision. The validity of continuing payments of diversion charges should be reviewed; and there should be a reduction in the shrinkage allowance rate, the brief affirmed.

The brief asked consideration of a reduction in grain storage charges for the coming year; suspension of the new \$1 inspection fee charged for samples of grain forwarded for government grading by individual farmers; and a study of lake shipping rates and practices with a view to reducing costs.

## Honored by Institute



Geo. E. O'Brien, B.S.A., manager, Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, was recently honored by the Agricultural Institute of Canada with a Fellowship Award — one of nine to receive the Institute's highest award for distinguished services to Canadian agriculture — for outstanding leadership in agricultural marketing. "It is nice to know that his fellow workers in agriculture gave him his recognition, won on his own merit," Associate Manager of the Wool Growers commented.

Mr. O'Brien graduated from Macdonald College, McGill University, in 1913 and has been associated with Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Limited, since that company was organized in 1918, and General Manager since 1920.

## Price Declines Bring Canada Packers Lower Profits in Fiscal Year

TORONTO, Ont. — In spite of record sales, both in dollar value and in tonnage, net profit of Canada Packers Limited declined in the last fiscal year. This is shown in the annual report to shareholders, signed by J. S. McLean. Net profit was \$1,964,555; this was after provision had been made of \$1,392,790 for depreciation, \$1,904,923 for income taxes and \$465,885 for employees' retirement fund. Mr. McLean notes that the lower profit for the year was due to severe price declines, and consequent inventory losses, on several of the company's major products. For example, steers worth 34.12 cents per pound in December, 1951, brought only 25.93 cents per pound in March, 1952.

who finds diseased plants in his fields should send specimens of them to the nearest Dominion Laboratory of Plant Pathology (at Winnipeg, Saskatoon and Edmonton) or to Line Elevators Farm Service, Winnipeg. He will then be told what the disease is, and what measures are necessary to control it.

## Stresses Importance of Plant Disease Control

In Western Canada, writes Dr. F. J. Greaney, director of Line Elevators Farm Service, control of plant diseases is no less important than the preservation of our prairie soils. The rusts, smuts, rots, blights and wilts have destroyed plants ever since man began to cultivate crops, bringing with them famine, hunger and misery.

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# Further Tariff Concessions Follow Federation Requests

By JAMES R. McFALL, Secretary, A.F.A.

THROUGH this column we have from time to time tried to enumerate accomplishments of our Federation of Agriculture. One field of endeavor which has been given a lot of work has been the question of import tariffs on agricultural equipment.

#### Special Equipment Has Been Taxed

In the broader picture agricultural implements are duty free; but many types of special equipment have carried a high import duty. Then, too, new developments that find a real place in our farm economy have not been listed as duty free and so carry tariff charges. Some months ago, we listed a number of items that were placed on the duty free list.

#### Additional Concessions

We add more important concessions with respect to tariff duty and excise tax granted during recent months, all of which the Federation has worked for:

1. Amendment to the Tariff, and putting on the free list, all tires and tubes for all types of farm machinery.

2. Tractor utility carriers and spray dip machines are also free of duty.

3. Tractor accessories used to be free, but a recent customs ruling made them dutiable. Budget now makes these free in the same manner as parts.

4. Ball and roller bearings for repairs of farm machinery were 17½% dutiable — now free.

5. Tires and tubes for tractors were 25% dutiable, now free.

Recent revisions in the Excise Tax Act provide the following:

1. Sales tax on tires and tubes for tractors, and combines, have been reduced from 25% to 15%.

2. There is no sales tax on other farm machinery tires.

3. Baling wire is now free of sales tax.

4. Tractor accessories are also free from sales tax.

#### Experimental Farms Committee —

The delegates attending the 1950 annual meeting of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture passed a resolution urging, among other things, that farmers' advisory committees be set up to work with the various experimental farm staffs.

The principle of these advisory committees was received with favor by officials of the Experimental Farms Service at Ottawa. It was their idea that a committee should be tried on an experimental basis in co-operation with the Lacombe Station.

This committee, of Arthur Grenville of Morrin, Bob Carlyle of Blackfalds, Peter Wyllie of Lacombe, J. H. McLaughlin of Spruce Grove, with Roy C. Marler as chairman and the writer as secretary, was set up.

The frank approach and co-operative spirit of this committee has been appreciated by the Lacombe staff. As a result of their studies, a very comprehensive report was prepared and submitted to Ottawa last year.

On July 22nd, the committee held another meeting as a follow-up to the recommendations previously made and to study the reply to such recommendations.

Instead of presenting Mr. McFall's A.F.A. Notes in their usual form, in this issue we stress in the heading the very substantial achievements of the Federation in its efforts to obtain tariff concessions on equipment used in agricultural production—EDITOR.

The general attitude is that such committees, sponsored by the Federation, can be invaluable to the Experimental Stations and in turn to agriculture generally.

#### Plans for Lethbridge and Beaverlodge

The Federation has now forwarded invitations to leading farmers tributary to the Lethbridge Station, to take part in this committee work in that area. Plans are also under consideration for the setting up of a committee for the Beaverlodge Station.

Feed Grain Meeting — Eastern Canadian farmers have been working through the Federation, attempting to solve some of their feed grain problems.

The Federation has now called a special meeting in Ottawa for discussions on this subject. Roy C. Marler, President of the A.F.A., and Ben S. Plumer are attending on behalf of the Federation.

The meeting was called for the current week.

## Commences Research in This Province For New UNESCO Project

Since Mrs. R. B. Gunn described in our last issue the Farm Radio Forum Research Project which is being sponsored by the United National Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, a well-qualified young Canadian veteran of the last war, John Nicol, who has been selected to carry out the historical part of the project, has arrived in Alberta, where he has commenced his inquiries.

The Western Farm Leader met Mr. Nicol in Calgary last week, at the office of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture. During the week end he visited Donald Cameron, Director of Extension of the University of Alberta, at the Banff School of Fine Arts; and this week he is meeting other interested people in Edmonton and elsewhere.

Mr. Nicol is a graduate in Sociology of the University of Toronto, where he earned his Master's Degree as a "D.V.A." student on leaving the army. During the war, he enlisted as a private, and won a commission on active service. He served in the Armored Corps of the Canadian army in Europe in the operations following D-Day.

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The Alberta Wheat Pool is a co-operative organization, organized by the farmers in the province. Its progress proves that its affairs have been conducted efficiently and economically. The Wheat Pool has closely adhered to true co-operative principles. It requires and deserves the interest and support of a larger number of farm people.

# ALBERTA WHEAT POOL

## Keen Interest Shown at F.U.A. District Convention — Officers Are Elected

A "round the clock" district convention, with morning, afternoon and evening sessions, was held by F.U.A. District 9, in Ponoka. Beginning with a business session in the morning, interest was well sustained until the singing of the National Anthem shortly after midnight. There was a good attendance.

Henry Lembic, Lacombe, was re-elected director, with Leslie Pritchard, Wetaskiwin, as alternate director, and district president. Mrs. C. E. Jones, Millet, was re-elected F.W.U.A. director, with Mrs. Esther McMillan, Ponoka, as alternate. Max Sears, Duhamel, is vice-president.

#### Resolutions Adopted

That permission of the owner be required of anyone hunting on fenced property was asked by resolution. Among other resolutions were those calling for drivers' tests; for a stand-

ardized school curriculum; delay in implementing of new F.U.A. fees; collection of fees through the Municipal Districts; an electrification program as recommended by the F.U.A.; and the inclusion of the weasel on the list of protected animals.

Following a most enjoyable banquet served by the ladies of the Grand Meadow Local, addresses were heard by three guest speakers, Mrs. W. C. Taylor, F.W.U.A. president, Henry Young, F.U.A. president and James Jackson, vice-president. All three speakers were heard with close attention and were well received, reports the secretary, C. E. Jones.

Junior officials took a leading part in the day's program. Muriel Bauer led an enjoyable sing-song during the afternoon, and conducted a musical program in the evening. Ken Kasha, who succeeds Miss Bauer as Junior Director for the district, and the new Junior President, Mable Rasmussen, gave brief talks.

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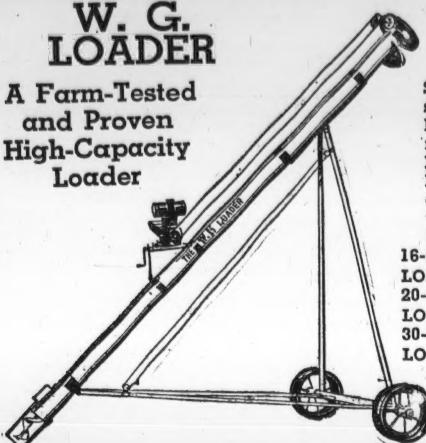
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"Reports in the daily newspapers would lead to the belief that the co-operative farm scheme in Saskatchewan is breaking down. The fact is that no co-operative farm in that Province has gone out of business, but one commenced dissolution proceedings and another was reorganized after seven of its original seventeen members withdrew. These co-operatives are all in the Carrot River area and suffered complete crop failures during the past two years.

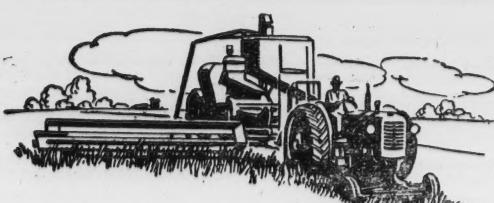
#### New Co-op Farms organized

"Eight new co-operative farms were organized in that Province during 1951 and four in 1952. The total number

in that Province, not counting the one in the process of dissolution, now stands at thirty. There are eleven machinery co-operatives.

The co-operative farms were started because they provided a method for young men with little capital to get launched in farming. Several year's experience has greatly broadened the outlook. Greater opportunity has been provided for social life, including most week-ends free from chores even where dairy herds are maintained.

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By SYDNEY MAY

Hello Folks!

Knotty Frankie intimates that the latest Bikini bathing suits do make the sweet young things fashionating.

On the other hand, Wally, our incurable bach, declares that makes him fashion-hating.

#### ENGLISH, AS SHE IS WROTE

A superfluity of culinary practitioners renders nugatory the gastronomical delectation of the semi-glutinous comestible. In other words, folks, Too many cooks spoil the broth.

—Thenx to James Boddy.

#### THIS IS TERRIBLE

It was long after midnight. The author looked haggard and worn. He had been working on his novel. Just like the editor of this great family journal.

"Darling," called his wife, "are you coming to bed?"

"No," muttered the author. "I've got the pretty girl in the clutches of the villain and I want to get her out."

"How old is the girl?" asked his wife.

"Twenty-two," informed the writer.

"Then put the lights out and come to bed," snapped the wife. "She's old enough to take care of herself."

—W. W. Dunno OO.

Li'l Goldilocks, our office vamp, is feeling a bit sore. Yep, she tells us she made a mistake the other day and the boss made her stay late to do it again.

Letter from J.S.T., Vancouver, can't understand why poets waste their time writing songs. Perhaps the little box below will explain it for him.

#### THE CONSOLATION OF SONGS

Verse sweetens toil, however rude the sound.

She feels no biting pang the while she sings;

Nor, as she turns the giddy wheel around,

Revolves the sad vicissitude of things.

—Richard Gifford (1725-1807)

Favorite song in some quarters of South Africa: "Oh, You MALANCHOLY Baby."

The Bad Egg of Crow's Nest says that Nan of Nanton is not exactly a wide-awake gal, but she's no Slippery Beauty.

Nunno, Algernon, you're wrong. Any woman can keep a secret — in circulation.

And that reminds George Scofield that in the battle of tongues any woman can hold her own but she never does.

#### ADDLED AXIOMS

A rolling stone gathers no boss.

Add Similes: As careful as a nudist crossing a barbed wire fence.

—Thenx to Plato, Calgary.

A bore, declares Chuck of Chuckwallas, is a guy who is always mepdeep in conversation.

#### THIS IS TERRIBLE

A Birmingham, Eng. doctor tells this story about one of his patients:

Doctor: "The best thing is for you to give up drink and cigarettes and take a ten-mile walk every Sunday."

Patient: "I don't deserve the best. What's the second best . . .?"

A team of British economists has discovered that a police inspector, a sergeant and eight constables guarding London's Royal Courts of Justice should have been removed 31 years ago. They'd better call a cop to tell 'em to "Move along, please."

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"But Mr. Howie doesn't intend to be beaten. He, though 86, declared that he will build again.

"Whatever his age, no man with that spirit is ever old." From the Sunday (Eng.) Express

Cemetery fees have gone up fifty per cent at Bridlington, Eng., so that even dying has to keep up with the high cost of living.

According to Dr. Hanz Weinert, a Kiel anthropologist, chimpanzees beat their wives once a day but lead highly moral lives compared with humans. "And," says he, "the male is still the boss." More monkey business, what?

#### FORE O'CLOCK, PERHAPS

A golfer at Newton Green, Suffolk, drove a ball 300 yards straight through a cottage window and holed out in a sugar basin. It must have been Tee-time.

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### Margarine Production Totalled 105,151,000 Pounds During 1951

Margarine production in Canada in 1951 totalled 105,151,000 pounds, states a recent release from the Dairy Farmers of Canada, while 116,524,000 pounds of shortening were produced in the same year. Margarine is made largely from cottonseed, cocoanut and soybean oil, and must contain 80 per cent fat; shortening must contain 99 per cent fat, and may be a mixture of animal and vegetable fat.

Edible oils are also used in fish canning, and in other food industries; inedible oils are used in making soap and washing compounds, in paints and varnishes, and in the textile and chemical industries.

#### Possibilities of Substitution

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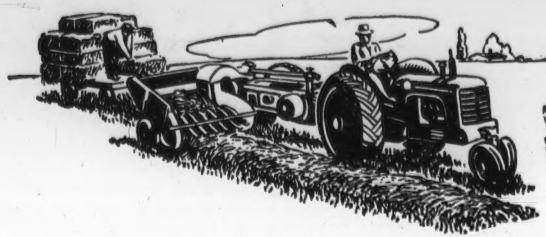
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